

# 250,000 MINERS STRIKE PENDING WAGE AGREEMENT

Western Pennsylvania, Ohio  
and Trans-Mississippi  
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INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 1.—Bituminous coal miners numbering 250,000

District meetings are being held in

strike will be of short duration. Central Pennsylvania and Indiana mines are in operation, as an agreement has been reached in those states. In Ohio and in this State, miners and operators have agreed to continue work pending a settlement which is being negotiated by joint meetings at Terre Haute.

All the miners of Western Pennsylvania, Ohio, the Transmississippi and outlying districts have quit work.

COLUMBUS, O., April 1.—According to accurate reports received here today from all over the Ohio mining district, 5,000 workmen of all kinds in the mines are on strike, and a demand for a new contract of mine officials in the Central Competitive District to stop work because they say the operators decline to make any wage agreement.

KANSAS CITY, April 1.—It was believed here today that about 100,000 coal miners in Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma and Arkansas would refuse to work to-morrow pending a settlement of the coal strike.

Association. "There has been no strike in the Southwest," said George Colville, president of the Missouri Miners' Association. "It is up to the operators to say whether there will be a strike. Nothing definite looking to the settlement of the present differences has been done yet, but the situation looks bright and I believe some plan for a conference between the operators and the miners will be reached to-day."

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